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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of Three (3) month(s) to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2004 from June 24, 2004, up to and including September 24, 2004

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, an extension fee of \$475.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application is required. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/1712. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosed for filing the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time; and
2. Return Post Card.

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